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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
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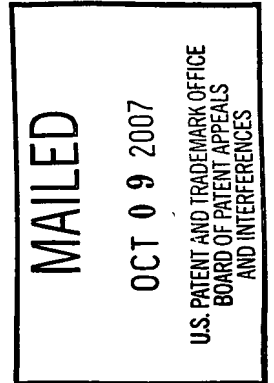
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*Ex parte* ALBERT BAUER

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Application 08/998,507  
Technology Center 3700

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

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This Image File Wrapper (IFW) application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on September 21, 2007. A review has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

The Office actions issued by the Examiner dated January 9, 2007 and March 12, 2007 are technically considered Supplemental Examiners Answers, thus requiring the Group Director or Designee's signature. *See MPEP* § 1207.05. Correction is required.

Accordingly, it is *ORDERED* that the application is returned to the Examiner:

1) to issue a corrected Supplemental Examiner's Answer in place of the Office Actions date January 9, 2007 and March 12, 2007 properly labeled as such, and obtain the Group Director or designee's signature; and

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2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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